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SUBJ: KHUKRIT'S CABINET RECEIVES VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

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1. THE THAI PARLIAMENT VOTED CONFIDENCE IN PRIME MINISTER KHUKRIT PRAMOT'S SOCIAL ACTION - THAI NATION - SOCIAL JUSTICE COALITION CABINET AT 22:39 HOURS LOCAL TIME MARCH 19. THE VOTE WAS 140 IN FAVOR, 124 NO CONFIDENCE, AND 1 ABSTENTION.

2. ALTHOUGH THE BANGKOK PRESS PLAYED UP RUMORS THAT THIS SECOND ATTEMPT TO FORM A GOVERNMENT SINCE THE JANUARY 26 ELECTIONS WOULD FAIL, THE CONSERVATIVE PARTIES DELIVERED THE VOTE. KHUKRIT HELPED THE CAUSE WITH AN ENGAGING DEFENSE OF HIS GOVERNMENT'S POLICIES DURING PARLIAMENT'S MORNING SESSION.

3. COMMENT: WHILE THE KHUKRIT CABINET HAS PASSED ITS FIRST HURDLE AND IS FORMALLY INSTALLED AS THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND, IT FACES SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES IN PARLIAMENT. THE KHUKRIT CABINET SUFFERS FROM MANY OF THE FAULTS ATTRIBUTED TO THE PREVIOUSLY REJECTED DEMOCRAT-SOCIAL AGRARIAN COALITION. KHUKRIT'S CABINET IS WEAKER (REFTEL), AND SOME OF HIS POLICIES ARE HOPELESSLY UTOPIAN. THE OPPOSITION WILL PLAY ON THESE OPENINGS.
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